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Esther Fulfills Her Duty

A Story for Purim

By JESSIE ABRAMS

When Esther Rosoff reached the age of eight, she heard the story of that other Esther, her namesake, who as Queen of Persia, saved her people from total annihilation. And the fiery ambition of youth burned within her breast, so that she made a vow that she, too, would one day do as much for her people.

But ambitions are the creatures of circumstances, and we are the creatures of our ambitions. Thus, when Esther Rosoff was sixteen her altruistic dream had quite faded from her memory, and she was much more concerned with the economic status of Esther Rosoff and her immediate opportunities for making money than with the desire to be a champion of the oppressed.

Within Esther's breast there now burned the ambition to become a saleslady in a departmental store for to her a saleslady typified the very essence of the highest form of ladyhood. Her air of nonchalance, her contemptuous ignoring of her customers, her complete self-possession in the face of withering glances, made Esther feel that the saleslady had the poise of true breeding and she longed to be a lady, as her limited intelligence understood the term, just as a strong man longs to run a race.

But the work of a saleslady, genteel as it is, is hardly desirable as a paying proposition. And there were a number of little Rosoffs pushing their inquiring heads out into the world, that made it absolutely essential for Esther to add substantially to the family budget.

So Esther went to work in a factory sewing buttons on coats, work that did not overtax her slender intelligence and that permitted her ample dreams to indulge in speculation of the future.

Into her perspective came one Harry Blickstein, who fashioned the buttonholes to which Esther fitted the buttons. Being thus thrown into a sort of commercial partnership, Harry and Esther gradually came to look upon each other as making the best of partners for the journey of life.

"With a little money," said Harry, "I could set up a little buttonhole shop of my own, and we would get a fine living for two people, who are not too extravagant."

Which modest ambition seemed to Esther immensely desirable, and she looked out upon life as a road full of rosy possibilities, in which there figured prominently a number of babies, no cleaner than was necessary and a modest little house, in no better a neighbourhood than the one she had been brought up in.

But in that year the war broke out and buttonhole makers attained a tremendous importance in supplying hundreds of thousands of soldiers' uniforms with that absolute necessity of modern civilization, the buttonhole.

The miraculous advance of Harry Blickstein was the miraculous advance of a large number of men who now possess what we call war-fortunes, and in the fourth year of the war he was known as the "Buttonhole King," and Esther was far more a Queen, from the point of view of freedom and absolute independence than was her namesake in Persia, who after all, was no more than the head-wife of the harem and knew nothing of the freedom from restrictions enjoyed by women to-day.

Esther Blickstein had worked just as hard as her husband in the four years of their miraculous rise—not in the factory, but in trying to keep up their social position to the high-water mark set by their financial rise.

Now, all women will agree that Esther's was the harder part. Social position of the kind that has to be climbed for, is the most elusive thing in the world, and needs to be followed with unswerving loyalty and singleness of purpose.

First of all, Esther had to live down the friends of her youth, with whom she had exchanged many intimate anecdotes over the railing of a back gallery, to the musical accompaniment of a squeaky clothes line.

As early in the game as the acquirement of the first Ford, Esther had been able to see that these friends were quite impossible and must be dropped. And she allowed no sentimental reasons to interfere with the dropping of them.

And thus, through all the successive stages of their prosperity, Esther had gone on dropping old friends, new acquaintances and all who might prove undesirable.

By the time the "Buttonhole King and Queen" had acquired a house on the Boulevard that looked like a public institution and contained a Louis Quinze salon, and were being driven about in a Rolls-Royce car, Esther Blickstein was beginning to feel that after all there was really nothing in Jewish society; even the best families were only the third generation of Canadians, and after all when one had more money than anybody else, there was no limit to the distance one might and ought to go.

So Esther turned her ambitious eyes to real society, as it was typified by the gentiles, and began to plan and scheme for entrance into that holy of holies.

The war was still on. It was the close of the fourth year and "drives" of all sorts were the order of the day. It was a time when money was only second to the prestige that knows how to get money, and Esther Blickstein found no difficulty in being put upon boards where she hobnobbed with the best and where her money passed easily as currency.

Our "Queen" felt that her cup of delight was full and brimming over. She knew she was the envy of every other Jewish woman in her city, and this envy she inhaled as the very breath of life.

Meanwhile she was kept very busy with companions for Belgian relief and Serbian relief and French relief, and with all sorts of entertainments and benefits which were the order of the day.

The only fly that had as yet appeared in Esther's cup of joy had been the fact that her name "Blickstein" was so thoroughly non-gentile that it "sort of gave her away" at the very first introduction. But Harry was particularly stubborn about changing it.

"They'll take your money just the same," he said with a touch of Jewish shrewdness. "I guess the money is all they're after, anyway, so why worry about the name?"

Esther rather pitied her husband. She felt that he didn't understand how far they had traveled in the social world under her leadership. He still appeared to think it quite an honour to belong to the most exclusive Jewish club. He did not know that they had already traveled far from the best the Jewish community could offer.

Into Esther's busy social life, the news of the Balfour Declaration had come as a meaningless issue. Of the hopes and beliefs of Zionism she knew nothing, except that her parents and a lot of other miserable old fashioned people expected that some day a Messiah would come to lead them back to Palestine.

Esther knew that no Messiah would ever persuade her to leave Canada, no matter how good were the prospects he held out. Canada was quite good enough for her. As for the Zionists, they were a peculiar lot, neither here nor there. Why they hadn't even been able to enlist the co-operation of the Jewish element that considered itself in society. Esther thought of them rather

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A Purim Cinderella

BY ELMA EHRLICH LEVINGER

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The guest of honour felt not a little bored: why, having captured the Jewish "catch" of the season, did the Perlbergers put upon the unhappy plan of [illegible] Purim masquerade in their Park Avenue mansion, with [illegible] although he had never [illegible] and cards, which he [illegible] listenings to his [illegible] gushing maidens. Sidney [illegible] wondered idly what throw- [illegible] mothers want to mas- [illegible] Orientals. Mrs. [illegible] was overwhelming complete, [illegible] on her hair and the [illegible] she wasn't quite [illegible] to smoke, was just [illegible] to be plump. Now she [illegible] her red face [illegible] the dancers, she [illegible] midnight, just

[illegible] and white robes [illegible] remind the [illegible] him the last [illegible] Sidney [illegible] relief. [illegible] [illegible] ballroom [illegible] [illegible] fresh air.

Now, it was the girl's turn to detain him. "There is plenty of room for two," she answered, drawing her soft white cloak closer around her. Sidney's ear, the quick ear of a musician, was soothed by her voice, low, musical, suggestive of the South. Suddenly he wished she would take off her mask.

"I don't mind your staying, but will Mrs. Perlberger ever forgive me if I keep the guest of honour out here all to myself?" the girl asked, with just a touch of mockery in her smooth tone.

"Never mind Mrs. Perlberger! You seem to know me; now I want to know you!" Sidney's hand reached teasingly toward her mask; even in his student days he had acquired quite a way with women.

But the girl only laughed. "Hasn't your picture been featured in every musical magazine for the last year—ever since you played by request before the King of England and were decorated—"

He interrupted her impatiently. "I wish I could meet somebody who didn't ask me to show him my medals and whether I felt nervous in Buckingham palace!" he declared with the petulance of a badly spoiled small boy.

"You should have worn a mask the way I did!" again a touch of mockery in her voice.

"Heaven forbid! Mrs. Perlberger wanted to show me off—used me as her chief drawing card. And millionaire hostesses have to be humored. Who would look at me twice if I'd come dressed as a clown or a minstrel? But you—"

"I'm a mere nobody. It's only a piece of glorious luck that I came here at all to-night."

"You don't go to dances and balls often?"

"Not at Mrs. Perlberger's home, anyhow," dryly. "No, I'm just a poor working girl, a Jewish Cinderella playing Queen Esther for a single night." She spread out the skirts of her shimmering robe, bowing low before him with mock humility. "I hope that I have pleased my gracious lord, the king."

"Your gracious lord, the king, would be better pleased if you took that abomination off your face and let him see what you looked like," grumbled Sidney. "Come on—that's a good girl; they're going to unmask any moment now and I want to see your face."

The girl laughed. "Oh, please keep up the illusion as long as you can. Please try to imagine I'm as beautiful as Queen Esther herself—who'd possibly seem a fat old frump nowadays by our standards. So keep on admiring me until 12 o'clock—when the dancers unmask and Cinderella runs away home."

"But the prince followed her," Sidney reminded her.

"Yes—in a fairy tale. But stories don't end that way in real life."

"Why do you insist on calling yourself Cinderella?" he insisted.

She pushed back several venturesome curls which has escaped from her fillet of pearls and blue velvet. "I'm only a poor working girl," she mocked, "but to-night on Purim, when things are topsy-turvy, as my old grandfather used to say they ought to be, I am Queen Esther and I can flirt with Mrs. Perlberger's eldest son or even the foremost American violinist."

"What kind of work do you do?"

"If this were an O. Henry story I'd have to tell you I was an overworked typist or a starving factory girl. As it happens, I'm neither, though I've been having a devil of a time to get work and—I do get hungry once in a while. Why, when I went to your recital at Carnegie Hall last month I had to drop my dinner—but it was worth it."

"What is your work?"

"A little of everything. I came up here from Georgia last fall; I thought I could sing and I'd saved a little for lessons. But you know how long money lasts in New York."

The great musician nodded; he had struggled up several rounds of the ladder in New York and he knew something of the horrors of a stretched income in the glittering, hard-eyed city.

"Because I used to sing in the Beth Israel choir at home, I was crazy enough to think I could find work in one of the temples here. Too much competition and in some cases my religion was against me, or at least it seemed so. Of course, I can't get any teaching work without reputation and a few pupils to float me, and it's even harder getting into the chorus—even of a musical comedy that'll never leave Stamford alive. So there you are!"

"So while you're waiting for a chance—?"

"I do odd jobs. During the holidays I sold gloves in one of the department stores. It was there," with a little laugh, "that I met my fairy godmothers."

"Who was she, Cinderella? Did she give you a golden coach and glass slippers?"

"Not even a Ford and a pair of walking shoes, and my oxfords are almost worn out, too. But you're hopelessly old fashioned not to know that nowadays fairy godmothers never give poor girls presents; they're afraid of pauperizing us. They expect us to be thankful for a chance to work—very cheaply, too, because we need a job and can't get anything better. So my fairy godmother gave me work; I come to her house every morning and write her notes and check up her accounts and sometimes, if she just can't get up the energy to take a walk herself, I give Pom Pom, her little

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pityingly—these people who did not know the joy of coming into contact with titled ladies and first cousins to royalty.

You can therefore imagine the shock to Esther's nervous system when Lady Williamson said to her one day:

"How wonderful it must be to be a Jew these days and to look forward to a Jewish homeland in Palestine. You must be so proud and happy."

"Yes," said Esther, vaguely sensing trouble.

"I suppose you can hardly wait for the British Mandate, so that you can all go back," continued the daughter of a direct line of peers.

"We—we're not going to Palestine," said the daughter of the ghetto. "Why, we're all right here. We don't need to go. It's for the poor people."

"But, I'm sure you'll want to go just the same. I know if I were in your place, I would consider it a privilege to be permitted to do the humblest tasks for the building up of my own country. To know you had a share in writing over again the glorious history of the Bible—that would be reward enough for any human being."

Esther Blickstein grew uneasy. What was the matter with Lady Williamson? Was she trying to get rid of them? Did she want to drive them out of the country because they were Jews? Oh, if only Harry had followed her advice and had the name changed. Of course, every time Lady Williamson pronounced it, she was reminded of the fact that they were Jews.

The end of the war came with sickening abruptness, as far as the Blicksteins were concerned. For it meant a gradual cessation of war-time activity, and the opportunities for Esther to meet her "swell friends," as she thought them, grew rarer and rarer.

Post-war activities were all more or less of a social character and Esther was not invited. On the rare occasions that she met her former acquaintances, she found them polite and friendly, solicitous about her health, but never inviting her to any of the functions.

The "Blickstein Public Building" as people referred to their ornate home, became a very lonely place indeed. Jewish company was not invited, Gentile company did not come, and Esther wandered miserably about her over-decorated rooms and learned the lesson so many Jews had learned before her, that the very last ditch of protection that the gentiles set up for themselves is the line of social demarcation, and across that line no Jew may come.

Thus passed days and days of loneliness when Esther's spirit was humbled, and she longed for the companionship of her own kind. Days during which she pocketed her pride and drove down in her gorgeous limousine to the slum district where her girlhood had been spent. There in the little grocery and butcher shops she heard the friendly Yiddish and shed a little happiness on poor little shopkeepers by permitting herself to be tremendously overcharged, and buying lavishly of all that the little shops contained.

But she had learned that her happiness depended upon a certain amount of activity, and she longed to be doing something for her own people.

Then Henrietta Szold came and asked Jewish women to take up once more the task of Esther of old and save the Jewish people once more, through the medical means of sanitation and rehabilitation.

To Esther Blickstein the message of "Hadassah" came as a voice from Heaven. Here was the work she desired—work for her own people. What had Lady Williamson said? It was a privilege to be able to build up one's own land. Lady Williamson was right. In the Jews' land, the Jew would be the aristocrat. There his noble ancestry would count for something. He would come into his own. The heritage that had been waiting for him all these years while he had followed after false gods and worshipped social idols.

Humbly did Esther Blickstein enter the novitiate of "Hadassah." Humbly did she approach her task. She was but a tiny cog in the wheel that was to help to make a nation out of a number of scattered elements but she had learned the lesson of relative values she felt that it was more blessed to do her humble share in "Hadassah" than to rub shoulders with a society that could not help but despise her.

Esther was nearly thirty years old when she renewed the vow she had made at the age of eight, namely that like Queen Esther of old she would save her people.

The Moth on American Flag

The cartoonist, like the poet, sometimes lights up truth in a flash of revelation. Thus, a drawing, which appears in the first February number of Life, is a far more powerful indictment of Ku Kluxism than any series of well-meant, average sermons. It pictures an American flag draped against a background suggestive of night. On it is a moth, spectrally white except for the eyes, which are black. Great holes in the flag show that the pest had been active. One does not need the label on the moth, K.K.K., to interpret the picture, because the legend under it is self-explanatory: "Like the moth, it works in the dark." The loathsome thing, in the pallor of disease and decay, takes advantage of the shadows of night to perform its work of destruction. We regret our inability to decipher the name of the artist, but he is indubitably a man of imagination, skilful enough to get his big effects with a few simple strokes. There was a time when The American Hebrew classed Life with those who have eyes and see not. To the new owners and editors, however, there have not been denied the twin gifts of sympathy and understanding. This clever periodical is highly recommended to all Americans who are frank enough to admit the existence of national follies and level-headed enough not to confuse them with virtues.—American Hebrew.

Abraham's City to Be Explored

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That country is [illegible] mandate. Hence it [illegible] that of sharing the [illegible] with the museum [illegible] removed. The [illegible] in everything [illegible] The expedition [illegible] the first [illegible] [illegible] through [illegible] new and [illegible] years will [illegible] and more [illegible]

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Editorial

FROM BALAK TO BELLOC

There is a curious whimsical Rabbinic legend that sublimates Purim to a position of pre-eminence among the Jewish holidays. It reads that even after all the books of the Bible will have been lost, and the Messiah comes, the Book of Esther will survive for all time. Furthermore, that when all the Jewish holidays will fall into disuetude, Purim will continue. "Purim," say the Rabbis, "is as great as the day on which God gave the Torah on Sinai."

This legend seems quite strange, particularly in the face of Rabbinic discussion concerning the Book of Esther. The Taanian doubted that Esther was a written scroll, "Esther lo nitno l'chtov."

They also denied to it the grace and sacredness of Divine revelation, and noted that the name of God as Jehovah does not occur in it even once. The Book of Esther was included in the Canon only after a struggle.

A deeper study of the history of Israel reveals why the whimsical Rabbinic legend survives; and also why Purim and the Book of Esther, which is in reality only an historical romance, hold their position in Jewish life.

Every century of Jewish history unfolds a tale about a king who suffered the Jews to dwell in his realm and a Haman who said unto the king: "There is a certain people scattered abroad and dispersed among the peoples in all the provinces of thy kingdom; and their laws are diverse from those of every people, neither keep they the king's laws; therefore it profiteth not the king to suffer them. If it please the king let it be written that they be destroyed—" and the king said unto Haman: "The silver is given to these, the people also to do with them as it seemeth good to thee." But the "God of Israel sleepeth not nor slumbereth." He always sends salvation to His people. In the darkest periods of our history when all seemed lost, a Mordecai and an Esther and a land of refuge have risen up on the horizon. In spite of the Hamans of every generation, the Jews continue to live, and though more dispersed than ever, they are the more numerous. It is almost literally true, that the sun never sets on a Jew.

Anti-Semitism or anti-Judaism as it was known until the rise of modern civilization, which we place at the time of the French revolution in politics, and the industrial revolution in economics, is the outstanding cardinal sin and disgrace of Christendom. The term "anti-Semitism" was used first in the early seventies of the last century by Christian Lassen, a professor at the University of Bonn, in his book "Jüdische Alterthum Skunde." In this book he dresses up Haman's old calumnies in modern garb and parades them out for the same purposes as did his predecessor. The burden of his book is that the Jews are an inferior race. "Civilization has been the gift of but a few nations. History proves that Semites do not possess the harmony of physical forces which distinguishes the Aryan. The Semite is selfish and exclusive. He possesses a sharp intellect, which enables him to make use of opportunities created by others, just as we find it in the history of the Phoenicians and later on of the Arabs."

Lassen was followed by a host of pseudo-scientific anti-Semites, among whom the outstanding figures are Renan, Houston Stewart Chamberlain, G. K. Chesterton and Hillaire Belloc, not to mention the subtle higher anti-Semitism of the higher Biblical critics of Germany.

Though these modern Hamans differ from the ancient Hamans only in name, they added many calumnies against the Jews which the old Hamans never could have devised. The anti-Semitism of the new Hamans is no longer merely religious in character, but economic, social, political and cultural. The Jews are non-producers, and middle class men; their bankers control the money-markets and are responsible for wars, is the new economic charge. The Jews are revolutionaries and communists and unpatriotic, is the new political charge. The Jews are dealers in cultural old clothes, they are not original, they are only skilled imitators, their cultural and artistic interests are mercenary, not altruistic, is the new cultural charge. The Jew is pushy, loud and clannish; he does not assimilate is the new social charge.

There is nothing subtle or new, or profound or strange about anti-Judaism or anti-Semitism, which requires any special explanation. It is a relic of the tribal hates of primitive man surviving and persisting through the ages. Its persistence is the humiliating proof that the thing we call civilization is but a thin veneer, that those Christians who prate about love with their lips, and bear hate and prejudice in their hearts are not Christians, but only gentiles undeserving to invoke the name of that Jew whom they falsely worship, and round whose personality and teachings they have woven a coil of paganism and superstition so thick that it has crushed out of existence the Jewish truths he preached.

Christians have often asked why the Jews whose prophets preached love, did not accept Jesus. The reasons are too numerous to mention in this editorial. One good reason is that Christendom has for 1923 years practised everything against the Jew—race hatred, mob-tyranny, religious bigotry, political persecution—everything but love. The pages of our history run red with the blood gentiles shed in the name of religion. Anti-Semitism in the modern Christian world is an anachronism and a hideous phenomenon, not because the Jew is an innocent sufferer—that God knows is a hideous moral crime—but because it belies the very formation of morality and love upon which its civilization is supposed to rest, and because its existence after all these years of Christian teachings loudly proclaims Christendom's moral failure.

All the attempts on the part of the Chestertons and the Bellocs to justify or explain anti-Semitism by pointing out that to hate is human, or that it is caused by the faults in the Jew, which he has with other men, are all beside the point. They fail to answer the great paradox of our civilization, namely that a religion which for 1923 years has taught the duty to love one's enemies and to even offer the other cheek, still condones and tolerates even if it does not openly advocate, hatred of the Jew.

Hillaire Belloc's book, "The Jews," is the best example of a new type of anti-Semitism. This sort of individual professes to love, and in the name of his love, he shoots his poison shafts deeper into the Jewish soul. The older methods of the ghetto, conversion, pogrom, and economic boycott having failed to exterminate the Jew, these newer anti-Semites maintain that it is high time to treat the Jewish question on a new and different plane. They base their attitude to the Jew on a few simple propositions. They assume that peoples of different racial and national origins are incompatible and cannot live together. This assumption, if carried to its logical consequences, would not only completely segregate and thus exterminate the Jew by depriving him of that contact with the world which as a modern civilized human being he must have, but would make impossible the existence of great nations, states and empires, which are of necessity composed of different peoples and races. This conception would sanction the doctrine that might makes right. It would grant the majority the privilege of tyrannizing and treading down the rights of the minority, and would put an end to citizenship as we understand it in the modern world.

They further assume that uniformity, and homogeneity of race, religion and culture is the only tolerable basis of national life. The natural inference of such a doctrine to those who, like Mordecai, will not bow to Haman is, baptism or banishment, conform or get out. Little do these one hundred per centers realize that beauty is the result

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of harmonious diversity and that drabness and dullness are the outcome of sameness. Human beings, being what they are, must and will differ in race, language, literature, religion, art, etc., and that what we call culture is the resultant of a harmonious blending of differences.

The charges against the Jews are only pretexts to justify the world's prejudices and jealousies. For the faults of the Jews are inconsequential when compared with the crime against right and humanity which the whole anti-Semite position implies. The essence of the injustice against the Jew consists in condemning the community for the shortcomings of an individual. The Jew being a part of the world, shares all the failings and virtues of the larger community in whose midst he dwells. His only distinction arises from his unique personality, his religion, his culture and his habits of life, all of which are ethical and moral to the core.

It is well for the Jew to remember that the solution to anti-Semitism lies in humanity's getting a new heart, a heart that will be rid of hate of man to man, a heart that will do justly, love mercy and walk humbly with God.

Barnett R. Brickner

every friday

"Sometimes when people censure me,
I tell them without rancour
That for what it cost me to be free
I might have had an anchor."

"No theological radicalism short of the crudest atheism could put a reform rabbi in danger of dismissal. A critical attitude toward the Bible and all ritual, far from being regarded a secret vice, an inexplicable perversion, to be locked in the nethermost recesses of his heart, is expected and demanded of him. As a result, the liberal rabbi is enabled to do his work of guidance and friendliness without hypocrisy or reservation; and as a further result he is in many communities throughout the land, gaining a significant following not alone of Jews, but also of intelligent Christians. But according to certain of its leaders, liberal Judaism is not yet sufficiently liberal. It is at present too markedly a rich man's religion, too distinctly a fashionable cult. Consequently its progressiveness is confined to matters of theology and ritual, and fails to flood the fields of economics and industry where there is drought and sore need of water to-day. The pillars of the 'temples' will not bat an eyelid at the wildest of theological heresies, but they grow stiff and stony at the mildest political radicalism. Even so guarded a liberal as Rabbi Stephen Wise is looked upon by many of the laity as a 'Bolshevist.' The newer generation of rabbis, of course, is leading the revolt, and just as Isaac M. Wise and his colleagues thundered against Orthodoxy in ritual, half a century ago, so do these younger rabbis cry out against it in economics. Perhaps it is in large part because these younger rabbis are still in the minority, that so many American Jews are still unsynagogued. Perhaps if the ministry, both Christian and Jewish, were utterly free to preach the truth, these 'back to the church' and 'back to the synagog' movements would not only be greatly accelerated, but would in brief time become altogether unnecessary."

This is an extract from a letter written by one Lewis Browne to the "Nation," along about the time that men are saying harsh things about churches and religions, and Rev. Percy Stickney Grant, of New York, is rationalizing audibly about the virgin birth and gospel miracles. Such men as William F. Dix (for 16 years secretary to the Mutual Life Insurance Co., of New York), for example, says, "the reason the business man stays away from church is that when he goes, he hears so much that offends his common sense." With talk like this going on, any one can see with half an eye, that things are doomed, or promise (according to one's viewpoint) to change, and it would take the seventh son of a seventh son to say what will be heard from pulpits when our infants are big enough to sit in pews. So, while many are struggling to tell the story of empty seats in churches, we bow ourselves out with the small, gloomy remark that there certainly seems to be something rotten in the state of Denmark.

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Nathan Straus, a Jew and one of America's men, great by virtue of character, has made himself ten years younger, he says, by giving "so much of my money to those who need it more than myself." On the occasion of his 75th birthday, he feels only 65 years of age and that without recourse to alien glands. Nathan Straus is one of the few men who prefer to look on at the good their money can do, instead of withholding charity to a later day. We hope that he will continue to grow younger and that his death will be deferred as long as possible because of the real grief it will cause so many people when it comes.

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The Rev. Albert V. Baillie, Dean of Windsor, speaking to the Canadian Club of New York, said recently that the ties binding together the English-speaking peoples should be "an appreciation of each other's view-point, tolerance of peculiarities and recognition of unalterable differences." What's the matter with applying this to all peoples, sects and individuals?

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We must stop a moment to congratulate the Jewish Tribune, of New York, on its union with the Hebrew Standard, and hope that the very good strains in both will be doubled by the wedding.

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Rivka says: "Green drop ear-rings are among the things that civilization has done—not for us, but to us."

f.f.c.

Kered Hayesod Jottings

Date of Campaign, April 3, 1923

Between now and April 3, the first day of Hol Ha'moed, Toronto Jews will have an opportunity to search their consciences whether they have done enough for the rebuilding of Palestine. It is true that Palestine is far removed from Toronto. Vast stretches of land and sea separate the one place from the other. And there is a vast gulf, too, between the life and the interests that pulsate in Palestine, and the concerns that fill the consciousness of the Jews on the shores of Lake Ontario. But let any Jew here sit down for a moment and reflect: across the vistas of the conscious experiences of his past life and across the dimmer subconscious spaces of the past life of his people, there floats the image of the wailing Zion, waiting for her children to redeem her, and plants itself before him with an importunity that will not be denied. The redemption of Zion is a vital personal issue for him. What has he done? What can he do? What will he do?

Col. Patterson and Dr. Goldstein will be in Toronto in March 14, to tell the Jews of Toronto about the situation in Palestine. Col. Patterson is a non-Jew. He is an inspired Zionist. To him the whole matter is simple: can any Jew with any vestige of self-respect not do his duty in the moment of need? Such a possibility is beyond his fine British mind.

Time: Sunday afternoon, February 25, 4 p.m.

Place: Keren Hayesod office; present, various committees and Zionist gentlemen.

Enter old Jew.

Old Jew: "Is this the Keren Hayesod office?"

First Zionist Gentleman: "Yes, what can we do for you?"

Old Jew: "I want to give something for the Keren Hayesod. Will some one make out a cheque for me? I want to pay twenty-five dollars."

All Zionist gentlemen and committees: "This is the spirit that encourages Zionist workers to continue their work in the face of indifference."

How many Jews are there in Toronto of the same kind? And this old Jew is a hat operator.

All societies and organizations may expect Zionist delegations at their meetings between now and April 3, 1923.

Times are hard in Toronto, but they are a lot harder in Palestine for the pioneers.

A squad of detectives were in the Zionist Institute one evening last week. Mrs. Dunkelman hadn't been seen in the Zionist building the whole day and evening, and the detectives were called to solve the mystery.

They are Wondering

Mr. Dunkelman: "I wonder if Charlie Pritzker and Jack Perkins will do as much in this campaign as they could."

Mr. Gelber: "I wonder if Charlie Garfunkel and Joe Harris will chip in."

Sam Kronick: "I wonder if Harry Clavir will be on the job."

Dr. Brickner: "I wonder if Toronto Jews know that they are Zionists."

Dr. Schwartz: "I wonder if we will have carmel wine here for Pesach."

It appears that Lord Balfour has not received a single reply to his advertisement which appeared in last week's REVIEW.

Indications are that an overwhelming majority of the delegates to the Conference of Palestinian labour organizations will be members of the Achduth Ha-Avodah, the Socialist labour union, which has defeated the Ha-poal Ha-zeir.

Hadassah

A joint chapter meeting will be held on the occasion of the visit of Col. Patterson and Dr. Alexander Goldstein to this city. It is intended that Col. Patterson address the Hadassah members on Monday afternoon, March 12. All members are asked to keep this date open. Col. Patterson is a fine speaker and has much to say on present conditions in Palestine. He will always be remembered as the organizer of the Zion Mule Corps which so distinguished itself during the war.

The meeting will be held at the Zionist Building.

The Purim chapter meeting, at which there was to have been an oratorical contest for young boys and girls has been postponed because of prevalent illness.

The various committees of the Junior Hadassah met on Thursday night. Convenors were appointed to all the committees and programs for active work in the coming year were arranged.

The musical and drainatic committees are co-operating with the Herzl Zion Club for the purpose of making up a program for the latter's entertainment, that is to be held in the near future.

An interesting feature in connection with the Junior Hadassah is the formation of a study circle for Jewish Chaluzoth. This circle is intended for the training of girls who actually intend to go to Palestine shortly and who will therefore require instruction in Hebrew and in vocations that will best suit them in their new circumstances.

All the girls who have already joined the group are most enthusiastic Zionists and are looking forward eagerly to the time when they will become pioneers. Instruction will be starting almost immediately under the leadership of Mrs. B. R. Brickner.

Tickets are already on sale for the Hadassah dance which will be held on Thursday, March 22, at the Arcadia. Like all Hadassah affairs of the past, it is expected that this dance will be most successful. There will be some innovations in the form of vaudeville, card playing and other features for the entertainment of those who do not care to dance. An excellent orchestra has been engaged for the event.

The proceeds of the dance, as previously announced, will go towards the financing of the alterations of the Zionist Building.

YOUNG JUDAEA

Young Judaea, essentially an educational organization, is now becoming more and more a centre for the outlet of the Jewish youth towards all things Jewish. The association aims to stimulate interest, primarily in Jewish history, Jewish ideals; Jewish literature and in short, to educate the boy or girl in contact with the association to a better understanding of his people, and incidentally of himself.

When the boy or girl leaves Young Judaea, the association hopes that it has accomplished at least this much, that it has instilled in the youth a desire to continue his or her studies of things Jewish, and that he has also made the determination to broaden his knowledge and understanding of the Jew.

Also, the organization desires that some of its graduates (those having completed the junior, elementary and senior courses) will eventually become leaders, and in their turn train the oncoming Jewish generation along Jewish lines. For this purpose there is provided a special course, which is called "The Leaders' Training Course," and the future leaders are amalgamated into a leaders' training corps.

Seven Jews were elected members of the Municipal Council of Libau, five belonging to the National Party, one a Democrat and one a Bundist.

There are 79,368 Jews in Latvia, of whom 24,863 reside at Riga.

Jewish Boys' Club

The Jewish Boys' Club, on Simcoe Street, will open within the next ten days, and will be ready for all Jewish boys to partake and enjoy themselves in their new home.

The Club can use any furnishings which you may have discarded, such as chairs, tables, curtains, electric fixtures, phonograph, dressers, dishes, ornaments, books, book-cases, desks, piano, etc.

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YOUNG PEOPLE'S LEAGUE

On Thursday evening, March 8, the Young People's League of the University Avenue Congregation will present a dramatic and musical evening, at the Community Centre, 44 St. George Street. An excellent program has been provided, including talent of an unusual calibre and members and their friends are assured an enjoyable evening. Besides the musical and dramatic program there will be dancing.

The structure of what had been, before the confiscation of church and synagog property, the great Brodsky Synagog in Kiev, has been leased by the Yidgescom from the government and now serves as a large Yiddish professional and technical school.

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Nearly $2,000 in loans has been granted, and so many applications have been made that the association will take the most generous donation you can make.

The men who always give are giving now of their time and money. If you have given you know the feeling; if you haven't given try putting a brotherly hand on a man's shoulder by sending your part of a loan to him.

E. Pullan, 6 Maud Street, and J. I. Oelbaum, Zionist Institute, are awaiting your reply.

HEBREW NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

At the regular weekly meeting, Monday, February 19, Mr. J. H. Rose, representative at the hospitals, gave his report. Eleven new patients applied for new cards at the out-patient department; eighteen patients in the various wards of the Toronto General Hospital; four in the Western Hospital; three in St. Michael's Hospital; two in Grace Hospital; six in Weston Sanatorium; twenty-seven in the Ontario Asylum. Three city were obtained for poor patients who could not afford to pay themselves. One patient died in the Weston Sanatorium late Friday night and relatives were immediately notified, who had the body buried. Also visited many poor sick cases at their homes and necessary help was given, such as doctors, medicine or money.

Several cases were present at the meeting, asking for help. One cancer case was present and presented a bill from the Toronto General Hospital for $60.00 for one treatment of radium, and that more treatments were necessary. Mr. Scher promised to see the hospital authorities and make arrangements for all the treatments that this patient needs. Three more cases produced bills from the hospital for X-Ray for which they cannot pay, and letters stating their circumstances, were given them to the hospital authorities. Another asthma case was helped with $15.00, the man having to leave for California. The committee also recommended to help another case with $5.00 each week, a mother and two children who came here from Hamilton and are laid up with the 'flu'.

The Passover question was brought up by Mr. Kirschenbaum, and after a lengthy discussion it was decided to hold a drive for "Moie Chitim" to commence on Sunday, March 11, to help to provide Passover food for all Jewish patients in the hospitals and the poor and sick in their homes. Donations should be sent to the office, 410 Dundas West.

THE READING GIRLS

The first annual dance of the Reading Girls Club was held on February 14, at Inglenook. The novelties and decorations surprised and delighted everyone present.

"Y" News

Dance at the Arcadia

The "Y" is running a popular club contest at their dance which is taking place at the Arcadia on March 27. A silver cup goes to the organization receiving the largest number of votes.

Cycling

Mr. Joe Harris, the "Y" cycling convenor, has won a silver cup for the five-mile indoor bicycle race. Those who wish to commence training, see Mr. Harris at the "Y" building next Sunday morning.

Hockey

First game, Orions vs. Balfours, Balfours won. Summary of later games: The "Y" played the Balfours three games, winning one and tieing the other two games.

Soccer

Mr. Joe Stern, the convenor of soccer for the "Y," is planning a very active season and all those interested should get in touch with Mr. Stern at the "Y."

Basketball

Well, at last the Y.M.H.A. Juveniles are in the finals of the T. and D. Basketball League, due to winning the round with Broadview by two points, and will meet High Park in the finals. The first game was played last Thursday, but it was too late for press. The next game will be played next Wednesday night.

In the first game of the semi-finals at Central "Y" small floor, which was crowded to the rafters with Jewish rooters, the "Y" piled up a six-point lead in one of the fastest juvenile games ever seen in Toronto. The winners were leading 10-7 at half-time, this due mainly to the work of Harry Posen, their good centre, who put in two baskets and one foul shot for total of five points. Ginsberg and Pearlston completed the scoring. In the last-half the defence of the winners was very much in the limelight; Goldman, besides playing a great defence game came up fast and scored two beautiful field goals. Posen scored the other six, four of these being foul shots. The score was 10-7 at the end of each half.

All the players of the "Y" team played great basketball, and it is not fair to pick out any stars though Posen and Goldman did most of the scoring.

In the last game of the semi-finals of the Juvenile T. and D. Basketball League, to see who would meet High Park in the finals, Broadview was successful in defeating Y.M.H.A. by the score of 11-7, but lost the round owing to being defeated by 20-14 in the first game.

The Girls' Team

Last week the girls' team was once again successful. This time they defeated the fast St. Simons team of the Toronto Inter-Church League. That team is leading their league and as a result the game was fairly fast and a whole lot of good basketball was displayed.

In the first half the game was featured by open playing and the combination was good on both sides, but the "Y" girls excelled all through and at half-time they were leading 6-2. At the beginning of the second half they proceeded to put in three fast field goals; the scoring was halted then for a time, but towards the end of the game St. Simons put on a spurt and put in a field goal and a foul shot. Both teams played hard for a bunch of man-haters and the crowd of fans was surprised at the hard playing, both combination and checking. One of the best rules in the girls' basketball is no hitting in the clinches, but the girls took advantage of the loose refereeing and proceeded to kill each other, but no serious damage was done. The "Y" team all played good ball and it would be unfair to the others to pick the stars and the writer wants to escape with a whole skin.

Wednesday night the girls played Stephanites on the "Y" floor in the deciding game for the leadership of the Toronto and District Ladies' League. By the time you get this paper the result will be known and you will have a chance to cheer the winners at the return game of the Juvenile team at Central "Y" when they will play the preliminary game.

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The Juvenile Finals

The Juvenile Y.M.H.A. team will play the High Park team in their home game for the championship of the T. and D. Juvenile Championship. The game is picked to be the best and fastest played on the Central "Y" floor this year. The game will be played on the big floor and the reserved seats will be downstairs with the rush seats and standing room in the gallery. Before the game the girls' team will play and it looks like a game that you should not miss. The team they play against will be picked from amongst the best in town.

In the Juvenile game, which will be the last of the season in the T. and D. League, the title will be at stake and everything depends on the result, so it is up to all the loyal Jewish fans, who turned out so splendidly in the first game, to turn out next Wednesday night and make the basketball world in Toronto know that the Jewish teams have the full support of their crowd. In the game the High Park team are bringing a husky bunch of boys down and they will give the "Y" boys all they can handle. Peace, their centre man, is one of the best in town and the fight between Harry Posen and him will be worth the price of admission itself. Their defence is also big and Tony Pearlstone is excited at the anticipation of another checking match with a young giant. Ginsberg is also going to have a great time with his check, a chap named Greene, who is playing great basketball. The defence of Freeman and Goldman is feeling in great condition for the game and to make everything look better, Jack Abraham, Joe Males and Sammy Brietstein are also in good shape. After the game there will be the usual dance at the "Y" club-rooms.

The winner of the T. and D. Juvenile finals between High Park and Methodist Y.M.H.A. will meet Orillia in home-and-home games in the first round of the Ontario Amateur Basketball Championships. Please watch the REVIEW for the dates and turn out in force to the games as they are likely to be the best played in Toronto this season.

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Joseph Ralbe, a well-known Biblical and Hebraic scholar, of New York City, passed away suddenly at the age of seventy. During his lifetime he made many contributions to Hebrew, Yiddish and English periodicals of this country, both in poetry and prose, which were of a philosophic and subtle nature. He was an ardent lover and interpreter of the Bible. He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Alexander Kan and Miss Augusta G. Ralbe, and four grandchildren.

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or the psychology of anti-Semitism and anti-Semites.

The Sabbath morning services on March 3rd will be dedicated to the Council of Jewish Women. The subject of Rabbi Brickner's sermon will be

"New Fields to Conquer."

Lectures and services are open to all. A cordial invitation is extended, particularly to the thinking Jewish men and women to attend the Friday evening lectures.

Religious Schools

Purim entertainment of the three schools of Holy Blossom Synagogue will be held on Sunday afternoon, March 4th, at three o'clock in the synagogue chambers, 115-119 Bond Street. A beautiful programme has been arranged, in which the children of the school will participate. Refreshments will be served. Only the pupils of the school can be accommodated.

Sisterhood

The congregational dance, which was to take place March 14, has been postponed to April 11. Reservations for tickets can be made with Mrs. Jule Helm, Hudson 2528w. Tickets, $3.00 per couple.

A Friday evening reception will be held this Friday evening (Purim), immediately after the services. Members and their friends are cordially invited.

The next regular meeting of the Sisterhood will be held on Wednesday afternoon, March 14, at 2.30 p.m. in the synagog chambers. Kindly reserve that afternoon now as it promises to be one of great interest.

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Sabbath Services and Sermon

The Sabbath evening services on Friday, March 2nd, will commence at 5.45, and the Sabbath morning services at 9 o'clock. As this is the annual Sabbath a large attendance of members is expected. At 10.45 Rabbi Silver will deliver a sermon on

"The Roots of Anti-Semitism."

Purim Celebration

[illegible] and programme [illegible] under the auspices of the Sisterhood [illegible] Wednesday evening, March 7th, at 8 o'clock. [illegible]

children and their parents on Sunday, March 11th, at 2.30. Admission for the children and their parents or relatives will be by ticket. A number of tickets will also be put in the hands of the secretary of the Women's Auxiliary for distribution among the members.

Rabbi Siegel to Speak in Ottawa

The lecture which Rabbi Siegel was to hold before the Y. M. H. A. of Ottawa on February 18th was postponed to Sunday, March 4th, on account of the death of Julius Smith. The topic of Rabbi Siegel's lecture will be "Pioneer Judaism."

Auxiliary Executive to Meet

The executive committee of the Women's Auxiliary will meet on Monday afternoon, March 5th, at the home of Mrs. P. James, 20 Admiral Road. Reports of the various committees will be read and the question of the renovation of the Synagog chambers will be further considered.

Friday Night Lecture

The re-opening of the Synagog on Friday evening, February 23rd, was well attended by members of the congregation. After Rabbi Siegel's lecture and the cantors' sacred selections, the audience was invited to partake of refreshments served in the Synagog chambers by the committee of the Auxiliary. Some of the members that served on the committee were Mr. James, Mrs. Rosen, Mrs. Lavine and Mrs. Lieberman.

BEATRICE ALBERT PRIZE WINNER

Miss Beatrice Albert, of Parkdale Collegiate, was the winner of the Ryckman-Sykes prize, in French and German, at the commencement exercises held last week.

Representatives of Hungarian Jewish organizations have filed protests with the Secretariat of the League of Nations against the discrimination of Jewish students in Hungarian universities. The League of Nations is requested to ask the Hungarian government to give the basis for this discrimination and to state what it is prepared to do to rectify it.

A memorandum has been received by the officers of the International Students' Union in session at The Hague, protesting against the percentage norm as applied to Jewish admissions in universities, and developing the anti-Jewish agitation throughout Eastern and Central Europe in which students are taking an active part. The memorandum comes from the World Union of Zionist Students' Societies.

Jewish colonists in Judaea have been granted a loan of twelve thousand pounds by the Co-operative Credit Bank established by the Palestine Development Council of America.

Rapid progress is being made by Dr. Joseph Rosen in effectuating the reconstruction program for the Jews of the Ukraine toward the fulfilment of which the Joint Distribution Committee recently appropriated $1,250,000.

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IN SOCIETY

All Society Items and other local notes should be communicated to the office of the Review by 5 o'clock each Tuesday afternoon in order to appear in the current week's issue. Wedding and engagement announcements will not be printed unless they bear the telephone number of the sender. Telephones Adelaide 7628-7629.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Hermant, Cluny Crescent, spent a week in Ottawa and Montreal.

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Mrs. B. Taube, Indian Road, entertained at a card party last week.

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Mr. L. Vineberg, of New York City, was a guest at the King Edward Hotel.

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Mrs. L. Greenberg, who has been visiting with Mrs. Samuel Yolles, Burton Road, has left for her home in Montreal.

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Mr. and Mrs. L. Walker, of Sault Ste. Marie, spent the past week-end in the city, the guests of Dr. A. Lipman.

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Mr. and Mrs. Jule Allen, St. Andrew's Gardens, are visiting in New York.

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Mrs. Herbert Nusbaum, Church Street, recently returned from Chicago, where she stayed for a few weeks, and left Sunday for New York.

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Mr. A. W. Myers, of Winnipeg, spent the week-end in the city with Mr. and Mrs. Philip Rosenburg, Wright Avenue.

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Miss Anne Fitch, of Montreal, is visiting with Mrs. A. B. Bennett, Indian Grove.

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In their home on Lyndhurst Avenue, Mr. and Mrs. M. Mehr gave an at-home Sunday, in honour of their silver anniversary. The entire house was decorated with spring flowers. Mrs. Mehr received and with her, her sister, Mrs. A. Weiss, of Cleveland. From three to six o'clock about two hundred friends called to offer their congratulations. The tea table was attractively done with a wedding cake with twenty-five silver candles, sweet peas and roses in silver holders. From the chandelier hung streamers. Mrs. S. M. Mehr poured coffee. Mrs. M. Mendelson was in charge of the tea table and her assistants were Mrs. Isadore Brodey, Miss Lottie Brenner, Miss Florence Kayman, of Cleveland, Miss Lucille Mehr, Miss Bernice Mehr, Miss Florence King, Miss Florence Sapera and Miss Ella Fremes.

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Many old friends of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Marks, Walmer Road, called on Saturday afternoon to offer their congratulations in honour of the bar-mitzvah of their son, Merwyn. Owing to the recent bereavement of Mrs. Marks, in the loss of her mother, Mrs. Streamer, a reception was not given as anticipated.

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Mrs. Arthur Jacobs, Wells Avenue, has as her guests her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Cohen, of New York, who will spend a few weeks here.

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Mrs. F. L. Kahn, Vermont Apartments, left Saturday for Chicago to visit with her sister, Mrs. Isaacs.

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Mr. Ben Keyfetz, Northcliffe Boulevard, has returned from Kingston where he represented Varsity at the intercollegiate assault-at-arms and successfully captured the Intercollegiate Wrestling Championship.

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Mrs. S. Koplar, of Buffalo, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Goldstein, Lynhurst Avenue.

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The Pi Lambda Phi Fraternity of the University of Toronto held a delightful formal week-end dance at the home o Mrs. M. L. Willinsky, Homewood Avenue.

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Mrs. Miller and Miss May Miller, of Brooklyn, N.Y., who visited with Mrs. J. Singer, Kendal Avenue, for the past two months, have returned home.

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Mrs. Morris J. Weiss, Ashburnham Road, has returned from Montreal where she spent a few weeks.

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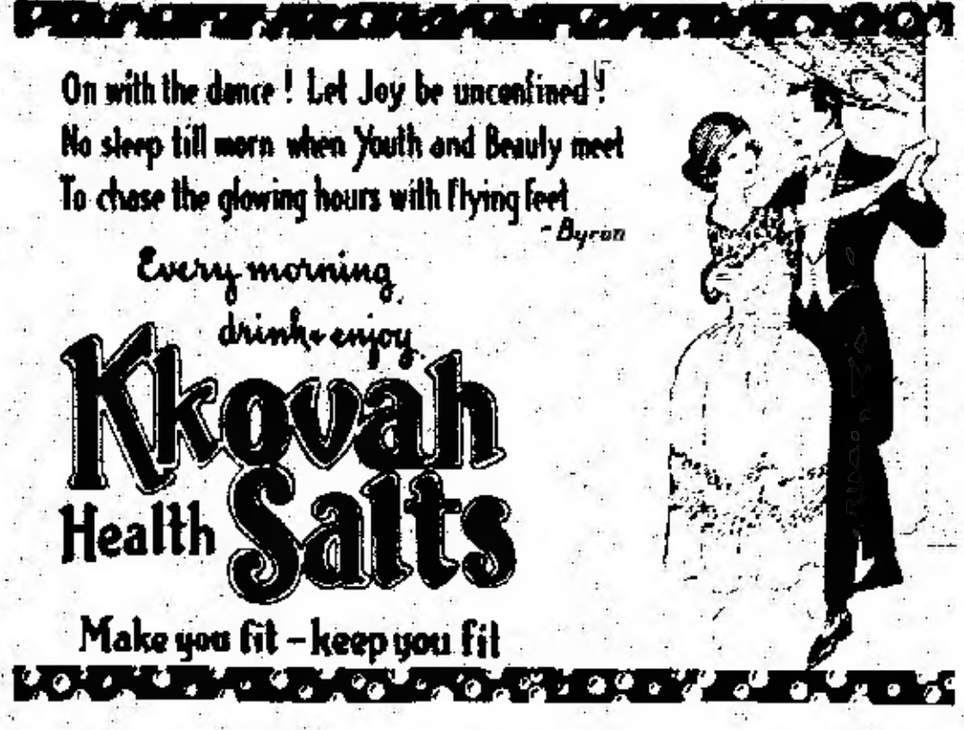
Mrs. Frank Becker, Joffre Apartments, left Wednesday for New York City and Lakewood, N.J., where she will visit for several weeks.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Miss Ella Fremes, Palmerston Boulevard, has returned from Scranton, Pa., and New York, where she stayed for a few weeks.

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Miss Mildred Freed, who visited with her sisters, Mrs. Harry Solway, Chesterfield Avenue, and Mrs. Harry [illegible], left Monday [illegible]

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Mr. Lily Mark [illegible] visiting in New [illegible]

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Mrs. S. Simonsky, Brunswick Avenue, is expected back this week from Detroit where she has been visiting.

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Miss Florence Sapera, Beverley Street, has returned from Montreal after a three months' stay.

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Miss Florence Kayman, of Cleveland, is the guest of Miss Ethel Mehr, Lyndhurst Avenue.

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Mrs. Harry Greenberg, Glenholme Avenue, invited a few friends in Friday last to meet Miss Sophie Tucker, who appeared at Shea's Theatre last week.

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Miss Eva Davis, Rusholme Park Crescent, was hostess on Thursday last at a kitchen shower for Miss Ruth Rosen, bride-elect of this month.

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Mrs. Samuel Riman, Prince Arthur Apartments, entertained a few friends Tuesday last.

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Miss Sylvia Kertzer gave a theatre party Saturday evening in honour of Miss Matilda Davidovitz, of Hamilton, and Mr. Joseph Klein, Kitchener.

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A delightful afternoon whist and tea was given by the Kappa Delta Klub on Sunday last, in honour of Miss Mildred Temes, a bride of this month, at the home of Miss Mollie Solway, Lakeview Avenue. Miss Temes was presented with a beautiful pair of sterling silver candelsticks from the club girls. The prize winners at whist were Misses Mildred Temes and Etta Wagman.

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Mrs. L. Jacobs, Indian Road, is expected to return home Thursday from a few weeks' stay in New York and Lakewood, N.J.

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Mrs. J. Espor, of Detroit, formerly of Toronto, visited her daughter, Mrs. A. White, Palmerston Boulevard.

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Mrs. S. Simon of Pomona, Cal., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Riman, Brunswick Avenue, for a few months.

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Mr. Leo Herschberg, of Detroit, visited in the city while en route from Ottawa to his home.

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Miss Emma Ceglan has returned to her home in Meaford, Ontario.

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Miss Gertrude Stone entertained at a week-end bridge at the home of her sister, Mrs. B. Wilson, Beatrice Street.

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Mrs. Norman Baker, of Pomona, Cal., is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hartman, Markham Street, for several months.

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Mr. Murray L. Kayietz, Northcliffe Boulevard, spent the week-end in Kingston, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. K. Zacks.

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Mr. Meyer Rodstein, who is a guest at the Chateau Laurier while in Ottawa for a few days.

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A pretty shower of delicacies was given in aid of the Purim Fair of the Mothers' and Babies' Summer Rest Home of the Maternity Aid by the Misses S. Pasternak and F. Rosenthal at the home of Miss Pasternak, University Avenue. The tea table was decorated with pink and green favors. The officers of the Maternity Aid were in charge of the tea table.

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Miss Florence Dankelman and Mildred Hirschberg, of Vancouver, gave delightful vocal selections.

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Mrs. N. Ochelman, of Detroit, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Gotlom.

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A pretty shower was given by Mrs. B. Greenberg at her home on Wallace Avenue Sunday last in honour of Miss Fannie Bonza, whose marriage to Mr. Morris Greenberg, son of Mr. and Mrs. Greenberg, takes place this month. Dinner was served and the evening was spent in dancing. Gifts were given to Miss Lillian Goldenberg, Mrs. Kershenbeim, Miss Pauline Keller, Miss Dorothy Poysner and Mr. Murray Ceglan, who assisted the hostess in the arrangements and in looking after one hundred guests.

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Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Atlas, of Niagara Falls, N.Y., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. Wolfe.

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Mrs. M. Gold has returned from a five weeks' trip to New York and Lakewood, N.J.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. Rosenstein were the recipients of many beautiful silver gifts at a dinner given by their daughters on Monday last, in honour of their thirtieth wedding anniversary.

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Mrs. I. Rosenthal has returned from Chicago, where she went to spend a few months as the guest of her sister, Mrs. M. Wolfe. Jr., and Mrs. [illegible]

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Mr. Nathan Bloom, who will leave Toronto [illegible] recently completed a summer tour of the New England states and Canada in his car.

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The regular meeting of the Jewish Ladies' Home Aid on the first Tuesday of every month has been postponed on account of illness. Announcement of meeting will be made later.

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Among the out-of-town guests for the Krehm-Feinsod wedding, which took place Tuesday at the King Edward Hotel, were Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Feinsod, New York, grandparents of the bride, who will also celebrate their sixtieth wedding anniversary here Sunday. Mr. Isaac Feinsod, Long Branch, N.Y., Mrs. Cohen, Portchester, N.Y., Mr. and Mrs. J. Feinsod, New Brunswick, and Mr. Abraham Feinsod, Brooklyn, N.Y.

An interesting collection of Bezalel objects of use in the synagog and in the home will be exhibited at the Eleventh Annual Convention of the United Synagog of America and the Sixth Annual Convention of the Jewish Women's League, which will be held in Pittsburgh on Sunday, February 11, and Monday, February 12, 1923.

Dr. Israel Abrahams, of Cambridge, England, arrived in the United States recently and will soon visit Cincinnati in order to give a course of three lectures at the Hebrew Union College. The lectures will be on the subject: "Campaigns in Palestine from Alexander to Allenby" and will be open to the public.

Nathan S. Jonas, father of the Brooklyn Federation of Jewish Charities, has realized his lifelong ambition, the ambition to become Federation's largest contributor, by increasing his membership subscription to $6,000. Besides being a leader in Brooklyn's social problems, Mr. Jonas is also a leading figure in the field of commerce, having served as president of the Manufacturers Trust Company for many years.

Hilaire Belloc, well-known British anti-Semite, will come to America this month to deliver a series of lectures on literary and "contemporary" subjects.

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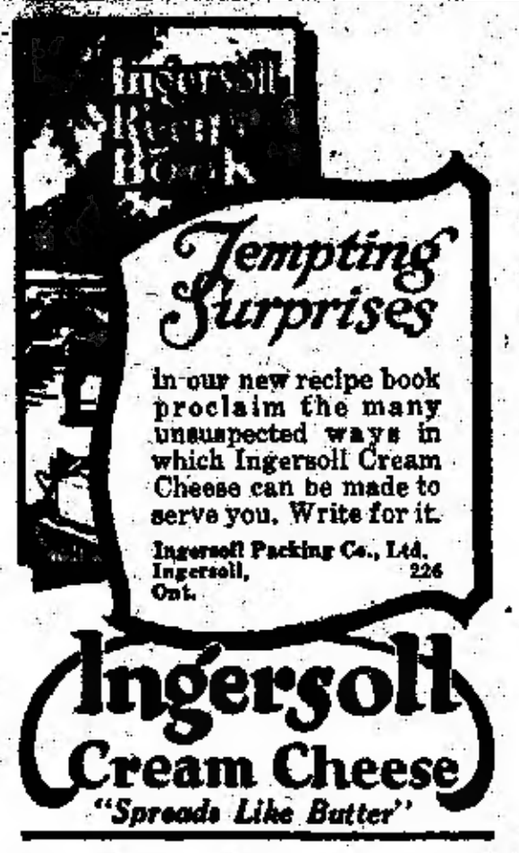

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BORN

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Siegel, 53 Lee Avenue, on Thursday, February 22, at Wellesley Hospital.

Marriages

Sherman-Havelock

A five o'clock Sunday, a pretty wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Havelock, 94 Brunswick Avenue, when their daughter, Sarah, was united in marriage to Mr. Edward Sherman, Toronto. Rabbi M. H. Levy officiated. The bride, who was given away by her parents, looked charming in a white canton crepe gown with pearl trimmings. Her tulle veil was made in coronet style with pearls. She carried a shower bouquet of roses and lillies-of-the-valley. Her attendant was Miss Frances Roseman, in peach satin, as maid-of-honour. Miss Roseman carried pink roses. Mr. Benj. Havelock was best man. A dinner and dance was held for two hundred guests. Mrs. Havelock, mother of the bride, wore a navy blue canton crepe gown and Mrs. A. Sherman, mother of the groom, was gowned in black canton crepe. Mr. and Mrs. A. Glassman, of Hamilton, were among the guests. Mr. and Mrs. Sherman left later for a short wedding trip. On their return they will reside at 94 Brunswick Avenue. During the dinner, Mrs. Sol. Havelock collected $16.50 in aid of the Jewish Hospital.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pasternak, University Avenue, announce the engagement of their daughter, Sara, to Mr. Harold Rotstein, of Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Isaacson, 20 Eden Place, announce the engagement of their eldest daughter, Dora, to Aaron, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Pearlston, 432 Adelaide Street West.

Obituary

Mr. Louis Shumer

Louis Shumer, 80 Russell Street, died on Sunday, February 11, of influenza, at the age of 75 years. He was born in Stanislau, Galicia, in the year 1848. He came to Toronto forty years ago, where he was engaged in business. He was a member of Teraniey Street Syngog, but years ago he also worshipped in the Holy Blossom Syngog, Bond Street. In his last days, however, being inclined to chassidism, he joined the recently formed Mishnayoth Association, on Cecil Street, and became an ardent and generous supporter of that congregation. On his death bed he remembered institutes, friends and relatives. He is mourned by his widow, Mrs. Fannie Shumer, and sons Charles and Simon, and his daughter, Mrs. M. Geldzahler and a number of grandchildren and great-grandchildren, residing in Toronto.

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Mr. William Espar

Following an illness the death occurred Thursday, February 22, of Mr. William Espar, at his home in Detroit, in the age of thirty-seven. The deceased was born in Toronto and educated here. He left for Chicago about fifteen years ago and then went to Detroit where he made his home. The late Mr. Espar was well known in Toronto and leaves a host of friends to mourn his death. He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Espar, Detroit; Mrs. A. White, Toronto; Mrs. N. Rose, Mrs. H. Thompson, Mrs. M. Gitsberg, Mrs. R. Ferner, and brothers Jack, Morton and Irving.

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Hamilton

Mrs. [illegible] Goldstone, Ottawa Street, entertained at bridge on Sunday night, in honour of Miss Rose Goldstone, Toronto. The prize winners were Miss Ros. Goldstone and Mr. Frank Palter. The guests present were Misses Esther [illegible], Bessie Schieber, Fanny Bates, Eva Wright, Bessie Newman, Messrs. Morley and George Goldstone, Harry Bates, Sam Pollock, [illegible] Paul Goodman.

The engagement is announced of Ida, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Weintraub, [illegible] to Mr. D. T. Kellick, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Kellick, 710 Barton Street East.

William Crean, of Upper Canada College, Toronto, visited his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Robinson, [illegible].

Sweet was elected chairman of the Conservative Association in the organization [illegible] last week in the Hilda [illegible].

Viceroy Reading Lodge

Viceroy Reading Lodge, Royal Arch Masons, held their regular meeting in the lodge rooms in the Temple on Wednesday evening. [illegible] was the guest of honour and addressed the lodge's members. Sweet [illegible] Supreme Council, 33rd degree, was also present.

Young Judaea

[illegible]

Hadassah

[illegible]

Junior Study Circle

[illegible]

conducted the services in Hebrew. Mr. J. Lang read the portion from "Ethics of the Fathers." Mr. Henry Davis spoke on "The Book and the People of the Book," pointing out a great many quotations of common use having their origin from the Bible, and there was a world of inspiration from it.

Friday evening, February 24, the Junior Congregation held services in the Synagog. Mr. George Goldblatt conducted the service in Hebrew and Mr. Herman Lightstone, in English. Mr. W. Farrar delivered the sermon, selecting as his subject "God's Chosen People."

The Sunday School of the Beth Jacob Religious School will hold a Purim play and concert on Sunday, March 4, at 7.45. Friends of the school are invited.

Council of Jewish Women

The regular meeting of the Council was held on Tuesday evening, February 20 in the United Hebrew Building. Dr. Elizabeth Bagshaw, the speaker of the evening, addressed the ladies on "Babies" and much information was gained by her talk. The doctor invited questions and much discussion on the subject was evoked. Various standing committees had reports to give. The Education Committee announced a debate to be held by the English classes on February 28, in the United Hebrew Building, 58 Vine Street, subject, "Should Capital Punishment Be Abolished?" The chairman of the Religious Committee reported that Friday evening, March 2, is Council Sabbath universally. Rabbi Berger, of Congregation Anshe Sholom, will have a special message to give to the council members that day at the regular Friday evening services. The convenor of the membership committee announced five new members who were formally welcomed. The chairman of the Recreation Center announced that Miss Nagle, of the City Hospital staff, will address the girls at the Beth Jacob Synagog, their regular meeting place. Members interested are invited to be present at 8 p.m. sharp, March 11, when the playlet, "The Paper Hat," will be given by the children of the members of the Council, when their Purim festival will be held.

A letter was received from Mrs. Sternberger, New York National Executive Secretary of the Council of Jewish Women, saying that she would be in Hamilton on Tuesday, April 17, at the annual meeting. Refreshments were served.

Forwarding of private letters to persons in Russia has been discontinued by the Soviet Consulate in Warsaw, in consequence of the present relations between the capital of Russia and Poland.

The Dutch Committee in aid of the Ukrainian Jews has placed at the disposal of the Executive of the Jewish World Relief Conference £2,000 for a new kitchen in Ukraine for 750 children.

The Colonial Office has published the result of the Palestine census completed recently, showing there are 589,564 Moslems, 83,794 Jews, 73,026 Christians of various denominations and 7,028 Druses.

"Moise Chitim"

A DRIVE for "Moise Chitim" will commence on Sunday, March 11th, to help provide passover food for all Jewish patients in the hospitals and the poor sick in their homes. The Hebrew National Association appeals to all Toronto Jewry to help in this worthy cause.

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Miss Maryan Tadman, Lisgar Avenue, entertained informally on Sunday evening, February 18, in honour of Miss Contie Brownstone, Plum Coulee, Man., who is returning to her home shortly.

Mrs. Chas. Cohen, Eugene Apartments, was a bridge hostess Monday afternoon, February 19, in honour of Mrs. H. Master. The guest of honour was the recipient of a dainty gift and Mrs. C. Rosenblat was the winner of the first prize and Mrs. D. Pereles, second.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Genser are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter.

Miss Heloise Cohn, Lisgar Avenue, Norwood, was hostess to a number of her little friends recently when she entertained at a Valentine party. The afternoon was pleasantly spent in games and music, following which tea was served at a very prettily appointed table, the decorations being carried out in Valentine novelties.

The Misses Sadie and Celia Black, Heaton Avenue, were joint hostesses to the members of the bridge club Sunday afternoon, February 18. Miss Molly Finesilver was the lucky prize winner. Following cards a dainty tea was served.

Mrs. A. E. Cohen, Mortimer Place, entertained informally Saturday evening, February 17.

A jolly surprise party was given Mr. and Mrs. M. Kofsky recently by a number of their friends, the occasion being their fifth wedding anniversary. During the evening, which was spent in cards and dancing, the guests of honour were presented with a beautiful oil painting.

Mrs. J. N. Sternberg, Sherburn Street, was hostess Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons, February 20 and 22, at a delightful luncheon and bridge in honour of Mrs. H. Genser who is leaving shortly to reside in California. The prize winners Tuesday were, first, Mrs. S. Robinson, second, Mrs. C. Horwitz, and Mrs. S. Zimmerman, consolation, and on Wednesday the lucky ones were, first, Mrs. M. H. Abremovitch, second, Mrs. J. Rill, and consolation, Mrs. D. Diamond.

Mrs. J. Wilder, Aquilla Apartments, entertained the Girl Guides at a jolly snow shoe tramp Sunday afternoon, February 18. After tramping a few hours the party returned to the home of the hostess where a feast of goodies awaited them. The remainder of the afternoon was pleasantly spent in music and games.

Mrs. H. A. Wodlinger and daughter, Helen, who have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Isaacs, 200 Balmoral Street, for the past four months, left for their home, Leask, Sask., this week.

Mrs. Chas. Cohen, Eugene Apartments, entertained the members of a snow shoe club Sunday, February 18. After tramping several hours the party returned to the home of the hostess where dinner was served, covers being laid for twelve.

Mrs. H. Genaske, Wardlaw Avenue, was hostess at two delightful bridges, the first taking place on Tuesday and the latter on Wednesday, February 20 and 22. The prize winners for the first day were Mrs. S. Coppleman, first, and Mrs. D. Lambert, second, and for the second day, Mrs. J. Weidman won first, and Mrs. I. Caminetsky, second. After cards tea was served at individual tables.

Saturday, February 17, was the occasion of the bar-mitzvah of Emanuel, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Skaletar, at the Shaarey Zedek Synagog. At 10.30 the bar-mitzvahn was called up to read the Torah, after which he read Matter and delivered a speech in Hebrew. The substance of Rev. Samuel's sermon was directed to the bar-mitzvahn. After service Mr. and Mrs. Skaletar entertained the members and their friends in the congregational assembly room.

A few friends gathered at a dinner recently in the Fort Garry Hotel as a send-off to Mr. Joseph Kronick, who has left Winnipeg for Toronto, where he will reside in future. The assembly was representative of the Shaarey Zedek congregation, the Talmud Torah, the Zionist Council and the Bnai Brith. Mr. Kronick was a former trustee of the congregation, a member of the board of directors of the Talmud Torah, and one of the most active Zionist workers in the city. He has acted first as treasurer and then as chairman of the National Fund. His departure is much regretted by a large circle of warm friends.

The death occurred of Mrs. Rebecca Perlman at the family residence, Burrows Avenue, Saturday, February 17, after an illness of three days. The deceased was sixty-three years of age. She leaves to mourn her death, Mrs. Celia Civkin, Saul Perlman and Sam Perlman, Winnipeg; Mrs. Rose Goldin, Vancouver; Mrs. Zelda Stoffman, Sinclair, Man., and Mrs. Lillian Terman, Chauvus, Russia. She was the widow of David Perlman who died November 29, 1919. The funeral was held on Sunday to the Hebrew Sick Benefit Society cemetery.

Hadassah

A series of drawing room teas is being held under the auspices of the Ezrah Chapter of the Hadassah, the purpose of these being to spread propaganda. On Monday, February 12, three teas were held at the respective homes of Mrs. C. Lyons, Mrs. A. H. Aronovitch and Mrs. M. Rady, about forty-four guests attending in all. The speakers for the afternoon were Rev. H. J. Samuel and Mr. Marcus Hyman. They chose as their subject, "The Condition of the Jew To-day." A very interesting Hadassah current event paper, prepared by Mrs. E. Shallet, was read, after which a general discussion followed. All the ladies, who had not already signed up as members, did so on this occasion, and pledged their assistance in the good work. It was the general opinion among the ladies that the afternoon was spent very pleasantly and at the same time beneficially.

On Sunday, February 18, the Winnipeg Chapter of the Hadassah held a silver tea at the home of Mrs. H. E. Goldin in aid of the "Palestinian Fair" which takes place April 14?

The Ezrah Chapter of the Hadassah are holding a linen shower on March 19, at the synagog, combined with the general meeting which takes place the third Monday of each month. A large turn out of members and friends is looked for and it is hoped that nothing's efforts will go to make the affair a success.

A very successful meeting was held at the synagog, Monday, February [illegible] of the Ezrah Chapter, Mrs. M. Rady president, presiding. The constitution was read and passed and reports of various committees were given. Those in charge of the committees are Mrs. M. H. Abremovitch, chairman of the membership committee; Mrs. C. Schiller, jewel fund; Mrs. B. Livenson, sewing; social and entertainment committee, Mrs. A. Coppleman; National Fund boxes, Mrs. C. Lyon; propaganda, Mrs. L. Shallet; and representatives to the other Hadassah society and Zion Council, Mrs. Abremovitch and Mrs. Rady. It was also decided to hold a Purim cookingsale, March 1. A linen shower and a series of three more teas were arranged for, the hostesses being Mrs. M. H. Abremovitch, Mrs. D. Singer and Miss Irene Brownstone.

Rabbi H. J. Samuel addressed the members of the Caledonian Society at their luncheon at the Fort Garry Hotel recently. The title of his address was "Aberdeen."

Favours and streamers, joyous music and much merriment, with a large attendance, made the cabaret held in the Royal Alexandra Hotel Wednesday evening, February 21, under the auspices of the Montefiore Club a pronounced success. Tables of various sizes were arranged about the main dining-room,

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Montreal

[illegible] were represented at the Peace Conference, is in Montreal this week for the Keren Hayesod Campaign, have expressed themselves as being of the opinion that the tour throughout Western Canada was a great success. They feel that they will be entirely satisfied if the cities of Eastern Canada contribute as much in proportion to their size as did the cities of Western Canada. Such cities as Edmonton, Regina, Vancouver and Saskatoon contributed $6,000, $7,500, $4,500 and $4,000 respectively. These figures, be it understood, are far from final; strong canvassing committees were organized in all the towns that were visited and these committees, by carrying on a house-to-house campaign, have done much to swell the original contributions. Both Col. Patterson and Dr. Goldstein are particularly pleased with the moral and material results shown by the work of the Hadassah groups. Hadassah-at Calgary, Vancouver, Edmonton, Saskatoon and Fort William have been untiringly active in their work. During the western tour, Col. Patterson and Dr. Goldstein visited 10 cities; the smaller towns will be visited by local representatives. On leaving the west, Dr. Goldstein, in a message to the cities that he and the Colonel had visited, said that if the Jews of Montreal, New York and other large cities were to contribute in the same proportion as did these smaller cities, Palestine could be built up in five years. From Montreal, the Colonel and Dr. Goldstein will go to Toronto, Ottawa, Hamilton and other cities. The headquarters of the whole Zionist organization is laying particular stress this year upon the contributions from Canada, for throughout the past few years Canada—was second to Roth America in donating funds for the restoration of Palestine.

The big Zionist campaign now being planned will open on March the fourth. No effort has been spared to make the organization plans as complete as possible. Col. J. H. Patterson and Dr. Goldstein have addressed many groups, Zionist, Hadassah and Young Judaeans, during the week, inspiring all with the sincerity of their belief in Palestine, and in the Jews who are to make Palestine what it should be. A series of functions have been arranged, the largest of which was a dinner, which took place at the Mount Royal Hotel on Feb. 26th, and to which the representative Jews of Montreal were invited. During the evening, Col. Patterson and Dr. Goldstein made an appeal for funds to help continue the work in Palestine—an appeal that was responded to most heartily by those present. There is every reason to believe that this campaign will be a most successful one.

A meeting of the executive body of the Montreal Zionist Organization was held on Feb. 22nd. to welcome Dr. Goldstein. The chairman, Mr. H. A. Starkes introduced Dr. Goldstein, who addressed the audience explaining just what was required of the Jews of Montreal if they wished to make this campaign a success. Rabbi Ziotnick gave a short account of the organization plans, and impressed upon all that it was very important that the canvassers go about their work unsolicitedly. During the evening Rabbi Ziotnick presented Mr. Katz, president of the Maccabean Zionists with a certificate of inscription in the Golden Book.

The operetta "The Peasant," which [illegible] Sunday evening under the auspices of Temple Emanu El, at the New Empire Theatre, is an [illegible] little sketch that can stand entirely on its own merits. The music is sweet, the scenery [illegible] the situations always good [illegible]. The patronesses for the [illegible] are Lady Davis, Mrs. Mark Workman and Mme. Clarence I. de Sola. The [illegible] under the supervision of Mr. Irving Snyder is composed of Mrs. Irving Snyder, Mr. Louis King, Messrs. S. Lang, A. Lang, J. Rubin, S. Price, Mr. Penzner, H. Hershorn, Misses Lang, Ben Rittenberg, Sam Rittenberg, Ben Snyder. The chorus is as follows: Misses Esther Auser, Ben Rittenberg, Dennis, Mildred Gordon, Rae Ginsberg, Snyder, Marjorie Neumann, Bertha Neumann, Annie Kellin, Mrs. Robt. Pryer, Messrs. Abrams, Nat. Caplan, Victor Fischel, Harold Neumann, Al. Goldberg, Milton Rosenfeld, R. Michaels, B. Michaels, B. Rubin, Jack Hershorn, J. Goldenberg, Peter Hess, Lawrence Sanit. Musical director, Mr. Aaron Snyder; dramatic director, Mr. Rupert Caplan; dancing director, Mr. Carl Crawford.

The Children of the Emanu-El Sabbath School will be entertained at a masque party on March 4, at 3 o'clock in the Temple Hall. There will be Purim games and a "really-truly" Purim treat.

Among those present at the bridge which took place on Feb. 28th under the auspices of the Spanish and Portuguese Sisterhood in the Mount Royal Hotel, were: Mrs. Meldola de Sola, Mme. C. I. de Sola, Miss Louisa de Sola, Mrs. Horace Joseph, Mrs. Wm. Schag-Montefiore, Mrs. Marcus Hirsch, Mrs. G. Fischel, Mrs. M. Takefman, Mrs. K. Goffin, Mrs. I. M. Rubinovitch, Mrs. Martin Simon, Mrs. C. A. Jacobs, Miss Annie Kirshberg, Mrs. H. W. Ripstein, Mrs. Leon Levine, Mrs. Ortenberg, Mrs. Zeelig, Mrs. J. Elkin, Mrs. Peter Barcovitch, Mrs. S. Fenster, Mrs. M. Michaels, Mrs. A. Pierce, Mrs. de la Penha, Mrs. H. Pickleman, Mrs. J. Kruger, Mrs. S. G. Tritt, Mrs. S. Medine, Mrs. S. L. Sabbath, Mrs. J. S. Leo, Mrs. M. Rittenberg, Mrs. H. Litman, Mrs. M. Mendelsohn, Mrs. Irwin

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March the fourth is the opening night of the big bazaar, to be given by the Sisterhood of Beth Jehuda in the Assembly Hall of the Synagog, which means that every member of the Sisterhood has been working at full speed every single minute of the day. Nor is that all, for they have been coaxing their friends to lend a helping hand as well. There is every indication that the bazaar will be a great success. Not only are the booths extremely attractive, they are well-organized, too. Thanks are due to many firms, among whom are Henry Birks, H. Morgan, Holland's, Broidy & Harvey's Flour, Chase & Sandbourne Coffees, Stroud's, Colonial Candy People, etc., for their really fine donations. Mr. Asch, of the Asch Advertising Co., has been indefatigable in his efforts on behalf of the bazaar, Mrs. H. Bloomfield, convenor of the cigar booth, and Miss Solomon and Miss Polnovsky, conveners of the candy booth, are all three promising to spring some novelties on the crowds. A Passover booth, where one can purchase everything from "noodles to wine," just begs the housewife to place her order for Passover cakes and cookies; the baby booth, with its dainty little frocks of fine linen, is insistent in its appeal. Booths there are of every variety, but there will be entertainment a-plenty as well. In addition to other muscial numbers, Aspler's Band will be in attendance.

Arrangements are being made for a match between Moe Hersovitch, well-known local welterweight, and Mickey Walker, champion of the world in this class. The match will probably be held in Toronto on March 19th.

Henry A. Silverstone and Max Crestobel were the members of the McGill Fencing Team which went to Kingston for the Assault-at-Arms last Friday and Saturday. The universities taking part were 'Varsity, Queen's and McGill. Among the boxers representing McGill were Ernie Freedman, Munroe Abinovitch and Saul Schliefer.

Giving his second annual concert in the Ritz-Carlton last week, Arthur L. Kauffman, tenor, showed that he has been making good progress during the last year. The audience, too, was larger than formerly; an evidence that musicians and others take a practical interest in this blind soldier singer, and that they appreciate his ambition to accomplish something in a musical line. Mr. Kauffman's most difficult song was "Here Me, Ye Winds and Waves," which he sang well, the same praise applying to his lighter numbers.

The pupils of Miss Hyalie Freeman participated in a dramatic entertainment at Victoria Hall on February 24. The program, which was particularly interesting, consisted of three short sketches and four recitations. Although all the pupils acquitted themselves creditably, there were a few who stood out as having exceptional ability: Little Miss Lottie Robinovich, as the "Paul Pry" at the girls' boarding school, was a roguishly mischievous imp. Two others who deserve individual mention are Pauline Jacobs whose musical monolog, "Daisy's Practise Hour," was very clever; and Elaine Neumann whose reading of "Fleurette," R. W. Service's poem, showed understanding and sympathy. In the cast of the first playlet, "Tickets, Please," were Anna Tritt, Beryl Adilman, Mary Wolman, Henrietta Hayes; in "An Unintended Member," they were as follows: Evelyn Berlind, Edith Kaufman, Lottie Kabinovitch, Natalie Jacobs, Brenda Joseph, Lillian Bernard, Esther Silverstone, Sylvia Poyanner, Gertrude Rosen, Sybil Shatner. "The Happy Day" tells the story of the trials and tribulations of a family in which a wedding is about to take place. Those who acted in this skit were: Marjorie Neumann, Freda Besner, Edith Ziff, Gertrude Schnabel, Elaine Neumann, Anna Jaronaise, Gertrude Rosen. Other items on the program were a reading, "Le Vieux Temps," by Evelyn Berlind; a musical poem, "Birthday Town," by Jennie Besner; a reading, "Fleurette," by Elaine Neumann; and a musical monolog, "Daisy's Practice Hour," by Pauline Jacobs.

Col. Patterson's book, "With the Judaeans in Palestine," is on sale at Zionist headquarters. The book will be sent to any address on receipt of two dollars.

The Community Players have once more put on an interesting series of plays. On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of this week they produced a comedy of English life, "Our Mr. Hepplewhite," by Gladys Unger. Mr. Monier-Williams, as Young Hepplewhite, makes an excellent showing as the young assistant manager of a furniture establishment, who has married into the nobility, the dénouement coming when he realizes that he does not wish to spend his life with the members of this ancient family. On Friday and Saturday evenings the play was "The Younger Generation," by Stanley Houghton, the author of "Hindle Wakes." This, too, is a problem play, but a good deal less serious than the drama of the Lancashire worker. The acting was even throughout and the stage settings particularly beautiful.

The School of Physical Education, of McGill University, entertained at a tea last Friday afternoon at the Hostel, University Street, in honour of the visiting girls' basketball teams from Queen's and Toronto Universities. The guests were received by Miss K. Gilmour, president of the Undergraduates' Society of the McGill School of Education. Miss Lil Shaw, of Toronto, who was on the college team, was the guest of Miss Ella Shlakman.

Miss Rosalind Crystal, Riverside Drive, New York, is the guest of her cousin, Miss Agnes Levine, Esplanade Avenue.

The marriage of Miss Rosalie Idlestone, daughter of Mrs. Idlestone, of Johannesburg, to Mr. Lazarus Philipps, has been arranged to take place on March 6.

Lady Davis, Pine Avenue West, sailed for France on February 10, from New York, by the Olympic.

Mr. M. C. Robinson has returned to town from Los Angeles, California, where he spent the last two months.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Guilaroff announce the engagement of their daughter, Dorothy, to Mr. Philip Garfinkle, of Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Guttman and son, and Mrs. Wilanski are spending a week at Ivry Nord.

Mrs. A. Kussner, accompanied by her daughter, Anna, left last Thursday for New York, where she will remain for some days. Miss Anna Kussner will go from New York to Jacksonville, Florida, to visit relatives, and from there will go to Palm Beach.

Invitations have been issued for the wedding of Miss Rosalee Idlestone, daughter of Mrs. Isadore Idlestone, of Johannesburg, South Africa, to Mr. Lazarus Philips. The wedding will take place in the Prince of Wales Salon, Windsor Hotel, on March 6. Mrs. Irwin Rubinovitch will be the matron of honour; the bride's attendants will be the Misses Miriam Glickman, Bella Lande, Rosalie Rose and Sadie Fineberg; and the groomsmen will be as follows: Messrs. Ben Robinson, Joseph Schnier, Michael Garber and Rupert Caplan.

Miss Kate Godjinsky is spending a few weeks at Ivry Nord, in the Laurentians.

Miss Annie Fitch, Sherbrooke Street West, is in Toronto, the guest of Mrs. Archie Bennett.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Brotman announce the engagement of their eldest daughter, Florence, to Mr. Harry Spector, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Spector.

Miss Grossman, of Boston, is visiting Mrs. Samuel Elkin, Marlowe Avenue.

An informal dance will be held on March 7, in the assembly hall of Temple Emanu-El, in honour of those who took part in the operetta, "The Pennant."

The Hebrew Department of the Shaar Hashomayim Sabbath School held a sleigh drive on the afternoon of Tuesday, February 2.

Miss Anne Landsberg, Roxborough Avenue, Outremont, entertained at a tobogganing party in honour of Miss [illegible] Shaw, of Toronto, on February 25.

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The Jewish students of Medicine '25, McGill University, held their annual party at the home of Mrs. Klineberg, Dorchester Street West, on Saturday, February 24. The house was decorated in red and white, the McGill colours. About twenty couples were present. Miss Lil Shaw, who is a member of the class of Medicine '25, of the University of Toronto, was the guest of honour.

Mrs. Anna Selick, who was a guest at the Mount Royal Hotel during her stay in Montreal, has returned to [illegible].

Colonel Mr. Patterson, D.S.O., and Dr. Alexander Goldstein, who are in Montreal for the Keren Hayesod campaign, are registered at the Mount Royal Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kavlovitch have returned from their wedding trip to New York and Atlantic City.

Miss Esther Sadick is visiting Philadelphia, where she is the guest of Miss Ruth Harris.

The engagement is announced of Rose, daughter of Mr. S. Segal, and the late Mrs. Segal, 79 Spadina Avenue, [illegible] to Mr. [illegible] Hoffman, son of Mr. and Mrs. N. Hoffman and Mrs. Wolfe, of Montreal. The wedding will take place in Montreal on the [illegible] Vice Versa.

[illegible] Rosenthal, who was known to [illegible] as Miss Rose Cohen, [illegible] Toronto Conservatory of Music, [illegible] Mr. [illegible] who was [illegible] years [illegible] and [illegible] Mrs. [illegible] Rosenthal [illegible] Mr. [illegible] Mrs. [illegible] Mr. [illegible] Mrs. [illegible] Mr. [illegible] Mrs.

Mr. Bernstein was born in Russia, and in the early seventies came with his wife to Canada, settling on the land near Lachute, Que. He came to Montreal in 1887, and founded the wholesale drygoods firm of Bernstein and Wolsey, taking active participation in the firm until retirement a decade ago. Thirty years ago he was instrumental in the formation of the Federation of Zionist Societies of Canada, and was its first treasurer, holding the position for ten years. He was a deep student, and was known as one of the outstanding scholars of Hebrew in Canada. All his life he had interested himself in the study of Jewish colonization, and it was to test his theories in a practical way that the earlier years of his life in Canada were spent on the land. For the past thirty years he had been a member of the Shaar Hashomayim Synagog, Westmount. He married in Russia Miss Sara Levin, the fifty-fourth anniversary of their wedding falling next week. He is survived by a widow and the following sons and daughters: Charles, New York; Edward and Simeon, Montreal; David, Norwalk, Conn.; Mrs. Miriam Rome, wife of Nathan Rome, Worcester, Mass.; and the following of Montreal: Micah, Montefiore, Ben, Miss Elizabeth Bernstein and Mrs. Minnie Fitch, wife of Louis Fitch.

Ottawa

There was a large attendance at the second play given by the Jewish Literary and Dramatic Society this season, which was held early in the week at the Monument National Theatre, in aid of the Ottawa Talmud Torah. The production was a Yiddish play in four acts by Nomberg, entitled "The Mishpoche," and was presented under the direction of Mr. D. Slover. The cast included some of the best known performers among the members of the Society and was as follows: Mr. D. Slover, Mrs. K. Polinsky, Mr. N. Simenoff, Miss A. Fisher, Miss B. Rosen, Mr. B. Fleming, Mrs. D. Green, Miss L. Saslove, Mr. S. Drachler, Mr. L. Drachler, Mr. A. Saslove, Mr. D. Saslove and Miss A. Fleming. Candy was sold by the girls of the Junior Hadassah, under the convenorship of Miss Fanny Aronson, assisted by the Misses L. Levitan, Sarah Millar, Bessie Tapley, F. Baker and Eva Blushinsky.

The weekly afternoon gathering of the Hadassah was this week held at the residence of Mrs. A. Belman, of Fourth Avenue. The members continued their sewing for Palestine relief and the other philanthropic activities in which the organization is engaged. Following an hour or more of work the members were entertained to tea. The prettily arranged table was centred with spring flowers, clusters of choice cut flowers and also adorning the other rooms. Mrs. Singer presided at the tea table and was assisted by Mrs. L. Zivian, Mrs. Venis and Miss Anne Finsten, of Toronto.

Following the annual general meeting of the Y.M. and Y.W.H.A., held last week, the Y.W.H.A. held a general meeting on Tuesday evening for the purpose of mapping out the year's work. Miss Lillian Ginsberg presided. The following convenors of departments were appointed: Miss L. Ginsberg, dramatic class, which will give its second annual dramatic presentation in the near future; Mrs. Ben Edelson, [illegible]; Mrs. I. L. Cohen, dress making; Miss Anne Golub will take charge of athletics, which includes gymnasium, bowling and basketball. Mixed bowling teams play every Sunday afternoon and basketball games are arranged for every Monday evening. Plans were made at the meeting for a [illegible] and Miss Anne Holzman was unanimously chosen as supervisor [illegible]. Arrangements were [illegible] dansant and money [illegible] near future.

The Y.M. and Y.W.H.A. held another [illegible] dances at their [illegible] Saturday night. These [illegible] are proving very popular. The [illegible] and the Excelsior [illegible] teams of Montreal were the guests of the evening and an [illegible] was enjoyed by all. Those [illegible] of the entertainment were Mr. [illegible] Messrs. L. B. Wolstein, C. Slonemsky, Abe Millar, Sid Cohen and the Misses H. Kaminsky, Anne Golub, M. Benwick and May Snipper.

The Y.M.H.A. Junior basketball team finished their schedule on Tuesday evening, beating the Diamond Juniors by a score of nine to seven. Ralph Pearl and S. Goldberg did good work for the winning team. The Juvenile team also won their game with Chelsea by a score of nineteen to fourteen. This was a fast and closely contested game and all the players contributed to the victory.

Mrs. E. Bernett, of 394 Daly Avenue, entertained at a delightfully arranged bridge party, Miss L. Cohen and Dr. H. Dover winning the prizes for card play. Other guests included Mr. and Mrs. H. Astroff, Mr. and Mrs. H. Sugarman, Mr. and Mrs. L. Zivian, Mr. and Mrs. L. Cohen, Mr. and Mrs. D. Mirsky, Mr. and Mrs. J. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Diamond, Mr. and Mrs. D. Ross, Dr. and Mrs. H. Dover, Miss Sylvia Dover, Miss Jean Ross, Dr. and Mrs. A. Slone, Miss Anne Aronson, of Montreal; Miss Finsten, of Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Davis. Supper was served later, the hostess being assisted by Mrs. A. Slone, Mrs. J. Davis, Mrs. D. Ross, Mrs. S. Diamond, and Miss Jean Ross.

Mr. George Wolfe has left for New York and Boston.

Mr. A. H. Coplan has left for New York, whence he will sail by the Empress of Britain for South America and the East Indies.

Miss Rosalie Morris, of Westmount, is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. A. E. Alexandor.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Hermant, of Toronto, are spending a few days with Mrs. Hermant's sister, Mrs. A. E. Alexandor.

Mr. W. Shenkman has left for New York and Atlantic City where he will spend two weeks.

Miss N. Fine has left to spend a short time in New York.

Mr. Meyer Rotstein, of Toronto, who has been in town for a few days on business, has been a guest at the Chateau Laurier.

Mrs. M. A. Venis, Broadway Avenue, entertained on Sunday evening in honour of her sister, Miss Anna Finsten, of Toronto. A most enjoyable evening was spent at dancing and cards, the bridge prize being won by Miss Olive Pullan.

Mrs. A. J. Freiman has left for a short visit to Winnipeg to visit her sisters, Mrs. Schragge and Mrs. Bronfman.

St. Catharines

A lecture and discussion was held at the club-rooms, Sunday evening, February 25, led by Dr. A. G. Volpé. The subject was "What Is a Jew?" Dr. Volpé made his remarks highly illustrative with comments from articles recently published in World's Work, Current Opinion, The Nation and CANADIAN JEWISH REVIEW, and amply stabilized the deduction that Jews are a nation held together, not by absolute purity of race, not by political government, not by unity of religion, but by a peculiar psychology born of common suffering and tradition.

Professor A. A. Michelson, for thirty years head of the department of physics at the University of Chicago, and recognized as one of the leading living physicists, has been honoured again. His portrait, by Ralph Clarkson, of Chicago, has just been completed and turned over to the University of Chicago. The portrait was provided by the gifts of a large number of Professor Michelson's colleagues, former students and other friends. It will be hung, temporarily, in the Quadrangle Club. The picture will be a notable addition to the University's collection of portraits, which already numbers more than thirty paintings by such artists as Eastman Johnson, Cyrus Mebbets, Lawton Parker, Louis Betts and Ralph Clarkson.

Dr. Stern has been elected to represent the Berlin Jewish Community on the Council of the Jew.

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I am a herring—just a plain little "schmaltz" herring—loved and hated, honoured and despised, worshipped and trampled upon. I have been carefully picked out of a barrelful, purchased for twelve cents, wrapped in an old newspaper and carried home in eager anticipation of the pleasure I was to afford a certain someone in the hospital later in the day.

Thus I have been successively caught, sought, bought and brought to a sick friend who, when she sees me, smiles and places her hand longingly on her stomach. But I am later seen by a healthy foe, who frowns and places her hand disgustedly over her nose. (For be it known that my friends judge me by my taste, and my foes by my smell.)

Having survived through the ages, a staunch and true friend of the masses, it is a sad reflection on humankind that I should live to see the day when folk turn up their noses at me as though I were not fit for decent people to associate with.

For centuries have I afforded inspiration and strength to a whole nation, numbering millions of good, stalwart souls—the noble Litwaks—every mother's son of whom, the world over, would defend, with his very life, my sacred carcass.

Just think of the victorious Litwak hordes of old, famous warriors all, their legions drawn for battle, every man-jack of them waving aloft, in one hand, a long juicy herring as they entered into the smelly fray (and in the other hand a large slice of black bread, thickly smeared with sweet butter). And woe betide the foe, who always lay crushed and humbled after the onslaught (for gas masks were unknown then).

And what have I come to? To-day folks are ashamed and afraid to be seen in my company. Women actually hide me away in their bosoms and other more or less inaccessible regions when endeavouring to bring me to their hospitalized friends. And if, perchance, I am discovered, what is my fate? The garbage can!

The plain people want me—the masses, the backbone of the universe. But what is the use? Society will have none of me. I am a social outcast, shunned by the select and looked upon as fit to inhabit only the Ghettoes of the earth. And society rules all-powerful.

Verily, mine is a hard life, and assuredly, they meant me when they exclaimed, with unutterable compassion (or was it scorn?): "You poor fish!"—Max Messinger in "High Spots in Hospital Life."

Hatikvah, a monthly magazine, published by the patients of The Jewish Consumptives' Relief Society Sanatorium, has just been launched. This publication is not for profit; it is intended chiefly to promote the welfare of the patients and the sanatorium; to foster a more thorough co-operation between the patients and the administration, and to disseminate useful information to the tuberculous and the public at large about the efforts made by this and other similar institutions to rehabilitate those physically handicapped.

On January 29 the steamer Manitowac arrived at Odessa laden with machinery and seed for the farmers of the Jewish agricultural colonies in Southern Ukraine. Preparations for the operation of tractors and the distribution of seed are progressing satisfactorily, and a commission has been sent to Orenburg district to purchase 1,000 horses, as provided for by the Joint Distribution Committee reconstruction program.

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A Purim Cinderella

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devil of a lap-dog, an airing in the park. The wages are enough to pay my room and my board—when I eat. But, of course, I can't go on with my singing lessons until my luck turns."

"And your fairy godmother sent you here to-night?"

"Exactly. I see you understand the machinery of the silly old fairy tales. The poor dear sprained her ankle yesterday after she had had this Queen Esther robe made and everything. And she did want a nice first-hand report of Mrs. Perlberger's big affair, because the two love each other like sisters and always want to outdo each other in their parties. So she made me promise not to take off my mask and I'm here in her place and her dress." She dropped him another obeisance of Oriental humility. "Now my lord, the king, has heard my whole story and he's bored to death," she ended gaily.

"I was never so interested in my life," swore Sidney. "See, they've stopped dancing in the other room now and they're beginning to take off their masks. Let me see your face, Esther—Cinderella."

But she drew away into the shadows. "No—please—I must run away now. Her voice trembled a little, her hands plucked nervously at her cloak. "It's 12 o'clock and Cinderella has to run off before her satin and silk changes to rags and the horses change into mice—and I hate mice."

She was about to pass him, but Sidney was too quick for her. With a swift motion he tore the bit of black silk from her face. Then for a moment they stood confronting each other in the pale light that shifted through the curtains from the ball-room beyond. Sidney seldom found time for the society columns, but he had seen the face of the Southern millionaire's daughter far too often in the pictorial sections of his Sunday paper not to recognize her as she stood before him flushed and panting and not a little embarrassed.

"What a beautiful little liar you are!" he said at last.

"Wasn't it a *good* story?" She wasn't so ashamed after all; her eyes were impish with amusement. "And a little of it was true! I used to live in Georgia and I have studied voice, but I know I'll never be a great singer. And I'm so crazy over music I've been at every one of your recitals and I made up my mind I'd have a little talk with you when I knew you'd be here this evening. That's why I hid out here when you escaped from Mrs. Perlberger. You liked my nonsense, didn't you? I thought you'd prefer it to the usual school girl stuff about adoring your music that you must hear wherever you go."

"I enjoyed it so much," said Sidney, "that I wish you'd keep on being the poor little girl you pretended to be. I could have played prince to your Cinderella and maybe—but I've never run with millionaires and I—am going to begin now."

"I'm afraid you'll have to," said the girl. "You weren't disappointed when you pulled off my mask?" she asked irrelevantly.

"I should say not! But why—?"

"Then everything's settled." She laughed, but now her eyes were very grave. "Isn't this Purim when everything is topsy-turvy? Can't I play a man's part? Please don't think me over-bold if I'm mistaken—we ought to be awfully good friends. And her tone grown very tender was now raised to his. "You know it's always been good form for a queen to propose marriage to a commoner if she wanted him badly enough."

Sidney kissed her for an answer. He never could resist a pretty woman.

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